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DETERMINING THE ACTIVITY OF )  
ENZYMES IN LIQUIDS, OR THE )  
CONCENTRATION AND/OR ACTIVITY )  
OF INHIBITORS IN LIQUIDS )

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